In re Application of:

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Examiner: Sean Chiu Wu

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Title: LIQUID-CRYSTALLINE COMPOUNDS

PETITION FOR CORRECTION OF INVENTORSHIP of PATENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.324

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby request correction of the inventorship of the above-titled patent pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.324. The inventorship should be amended to add the inventor:

Brigitte SCHULER

Thus, the inventorship should now include the following inventors:

Peer KIRSCH
Alexander HAHN
Eike POETSCH
Volker MEYER
Michael HECKMEIER
Melanie KLASEN-MEMMER
Georg LUESSEM
Christian HOCK
Brigitte SCHULER

Attached are:

 a statement by Ms. Schuler stating that the original error in inventorship in the application which became the patent arose without any deceptive intent on her part,

- a statement by the currently named inventors agreeing to the correction of inventorship to add Ms. Schuler,
- the written consent of the assignee to the correction in inventorship of the patent, and
- the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.20(b).

Favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

/John A. Sopp/

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STATEMENT OF OMITTED INVENTOR UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.324(b)(1)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

I, Brigitte SCHULER, hereby state that the omission of my name from the original list of inventors for the above-titled patented application arose without any deceptive intention on my part. The correct inventors for this application are:

Peer KIRSCH Alexander HAHN Eike POETSCH Volker MEYER Michael HECKMEIER Melanie KLASEN-MEMMER Georg LUESSEM Christian HOCK Brigitte SCHULER

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Brigitte SCHULER

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STATEMENT OF NAMED INVENTORS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.324(b)(2)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We,

Peer KIRSCH
Alexander HAHN
Eike POETSCH
Volker MEYER
Michael HECKMEIER
Melanie KLASEN-MEMMER
Georg LUESSEM
Christian HOCK

as the currently named inventors of the above-titled patented application, hereby state that we agree to the change of inventorship in the above-titled patented application, by adding **Brigitte SCHULER** as an inventor. The error in inventorship being corrected here arose without any deceptive intention on our part.

We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the patent.

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CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.324(b)(3)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized officers of the assignee of the above-identified application, Merck Patent Gesellschaft mit Beschrankter Haftung, we hereby consent on behalf of the assignee to the correction of inventorship in the above-captioned patented application by adding the inventor Brigitte SCHULER. Thus, the correct inventors for this application are:

Peer KIRSCH Alexander HAHN Eike POETSCH Volker MEYER Michael HECKMEIER Melanie KLASEN-MEMMER Georg LUESSEM Christian HOCK Brigitte SCHULER

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